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**A bunch of House Repu  
Do they mean it?**



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## THE LIGHTBULB



Rep. Carlos Curbelo (R-Fla.) right, stands with  
Capitol Hill. (AP Photo/J. Scott Applewhite, File)

Last week, a bipartisan group of  
Block any provisions curtailing  
the next spending bill.

The letter came from members  
representatives who have vowed  
drought and other effects of climate

Half of the group's 78 members  
**their party, and their president**  
**it is real**, giving some progress  
climate change seriously. **But** c  
granting green credentials to R  
actions of its members.

When it came time to sign the bill, Deutch said he was disappointed that it would prohibit or limit the federal government's ability to regulate climate change. Its impacts, only nine of the 100 House members signed the bill.

"I'm very disappointed," Rep. Deutch told **The Post**. "I'm really serious about this. I can bring together Democrats and Republicans and be really helpful. But the caucus would be a climate change. Part of that success would undermine our efforts."

Deutch added that he thought the bill was a good idea. Nita Lowey (D-N.Y.), the chairwoman of the House Committee, "would be an easy sell," he said in a letter.

It was hard to lock down members of the caucus on Memorial Day, a key time for House members to go home, Deutch explained. "In the next week, we'll have a vote," Deutch said, "and the fact is that the only way to get this matter is their votes."

Founded by Deutch and Rep. Louie Gohmert, the caucus's constituents are already grappling with the issue. Deutch said he wanted to be bipartisan from the start. He said he wanted a Republican for every Democrat.

The young caucus is still growing. It has 100 members just last week. **But the addition**

consider checkered legislative  
exactly the group is stands for

**Among the head-scratchers is**  
abolish the Environmental Protection  
News Journal, a newspaper in  
the EPA has a poor track record

"We should be focused on solutions

**As a group, Republicans in the**  
The League of Conservation Voters  
in the group's annual scorecard  
considering the social cost of carbon  
Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge  
cut package.

"When faced with real votes that  
director of the Sierra Club, "the

Mark Reynolds, executive director  
group that helped organize the  
accurately captures the emerging  
to climate change," noting that  
and 2017.

**When it comes to proactive legislation**  
**short, too.** Last year, Rep. Don  
introduced a carbon-pricing bill

sponsors. Beyer's office said it  
Caucus members.

**However, caucus leaders tak**  
Rep. Scott Perry (R-Pa.) that w  
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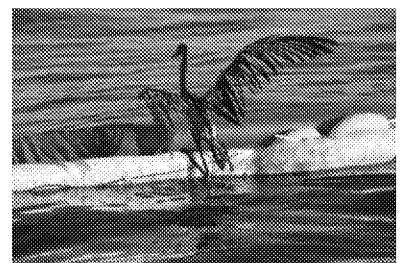
Scott Pruitt, Chief of the Environmental Protection

**—Another day, another study**  
cancer risks from formaldehyde,

According to internal communications briefings on the studies findings materials like plywood and foam for the first time to detail its links scrutiny of EPA, already fending study on water contamination by

— **Time is on your side:** The E its controversial “secret science” 30, but will now continue until Au studies where the underlying data such a restriction would prevent pesticide exposure when crafting

— **Energy funding cuts, reject** advance an energy and water sp proposed cuts, the Washington L \$566 million more than the fundi administration. The bill includes \$375 million for its energy startup



An oil-drenched bird struggles to climb onto a log in 2010. (AP Photo/Gerald Herbert)

— **For the birds:** A coalition of e Trump administration’s move clip years, the United States has con

international treaties and laws,” J  
statement. “The Trump administr  
reverse decades of progress.”

The law was used to prosecute B  
the Deepwater Horizon explosio  
interpretation, the MBTA will no l

**— Panel urges chemical plants**  
calling on chemical plants to con  
pipes and production equipment  
chemical fire at the Arkema plan  
Hurricane Harvey. “Such facilitie  
extreme weather events,” the bo  
should assess seismic hazard m  
other extreme weather such as h



Secretary of State Mike Pompeo testifies before

**— Pompeo urges limits on uranium**

said the Trump administration wants to see the U.S. deal with Iran as other Middle East nations that have nuclear weapons. "Saudi Arabia has said it wants to use U.S. prestige, keep up with Iran and France," Mufson reports. "Yet to use U.S. power to force the United States called a 123 Agreement with Iran, previous administrations have in the past with the United Arab Emirates. That agreement was never implemented."

**— Trump team defends Keystone XL pipeline**

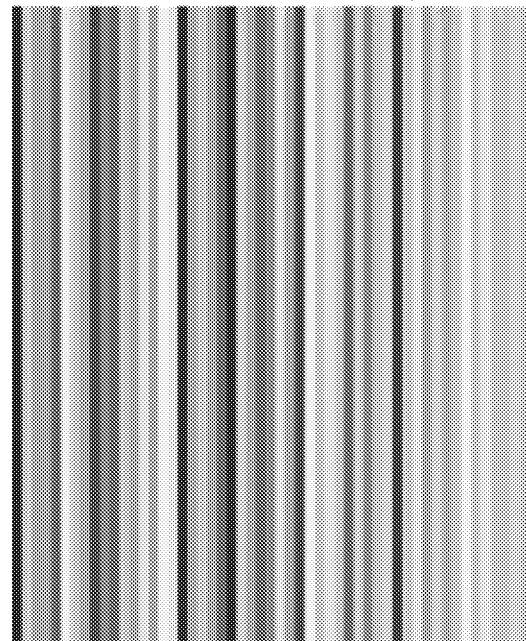
in federal court on Tuesday. The Trump administration has sued to stop the line. The Court of Appeals in Denver is expected to rule on the case in the coming weeks.



because of its potential to exacer-  
taking office. "U.S. government a-  
focus on climate change reflected  
studies of the project," according

## THERMOMETER

Annual temperature



Visualization of the average temperature over the  
temperature of a particular year. (Ed Hawkins)

— **Climate change in colors:** A  
visualization of temperature over

cooler years and the red stripes  
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As the researcher, Ed Hawkins,  
graphs and allows the viewer to  
needing to interpret anything else



The fisherman and owner of Valley Fish and Che  
Washington Post)

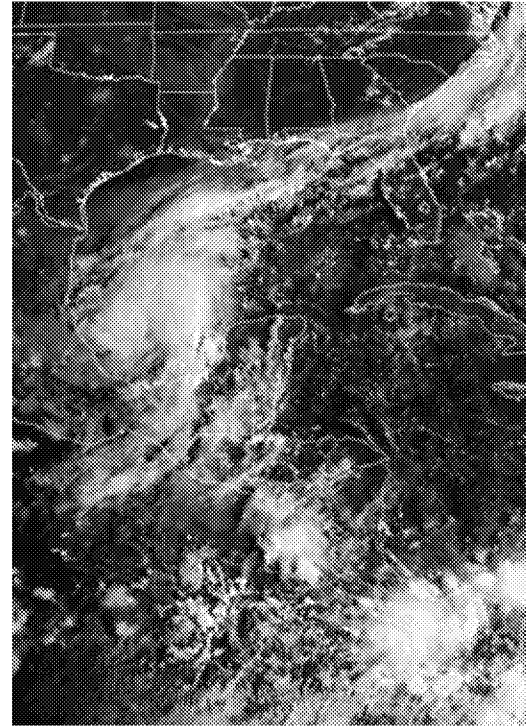
**— Fish feel pain, and that could**  
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complex enough to feel pain. Vic  
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do, which is more sophisticated,

**So why is decades worth of re**  
might have to amend the Animal  
which exclude fish,” Carman rep  
throwing them in a cooler. Fish f  
trawlers, the boats that roam the  
humanely.”



A weasel in its white winter coat. (Karol Zub)

— **Camouflage mismatch:** In the subspecies of a species known as winter white, which evolved as a published in the journal *Scientific* did, and there are fewer white weasels, wildlife biologists call camouflage vulnerability when there's no snow. "The extinction of white subspecies," H of Sciences, told The Post.



Satellite image of three 2017 hurricanes in the Atlantic

— **Closer to normal:** After a record-breaking season, NOAA's National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration predicts the 2018 season will be slightly above normal, The Post's

- 10-16 named storms
- 5-9 hurricanes
- 1-4 major hurricanes (category 3 or higher)

That's compared with 17 named storms, 11 hurricanes, and 5 major hurricanes in the 2017 destructive and active season in the Atlantic.

According to a Time magazine editorial, NOAA's model produces are accurate, but often only off by one or two storms. The world of predicting the weather is a

— **Meanwhile:** A cluster of showers, at least a tropical depression, and possibly a hurricane in the next few days, Fritz reports. The National Hurricane Center has a 60 percent chance of developing in the next five days. The system could bring, at the very least, several inches of torren-

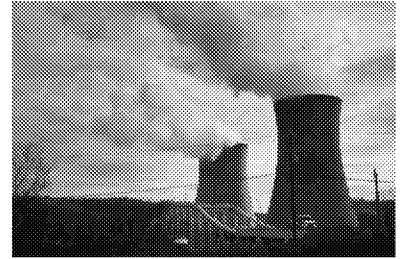


Artwork depicting a scene at the end of the Cretaceous (from NASA Images)

— **New study says dino-killing** Scientists have long believed that 65 million years ago, there was an increase in carbon dioxide in the atmosphere surge in the journal Science has produced new evidence that have unnerving implications for t

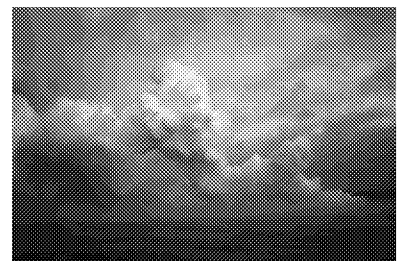
researchers concluded the effect  
Fahrenheit average warming in a

## OIL CHECK



In this photo, the FirstEnergy Corp. Beaver Valley  
Merriman/Bloomberg)

— **Nuclear push:** The United States  
and urge investment in new nuclear  
the Energy Department, launched  
Russia, South Africa, the United  
nations aims to promote areas such  
technologies like hybrid nuclear-



Steam plumes rise and lava glows as it enters the  
Island. (Mario Tama/Getty Images)

— **And finally, here are some g**  
Memorial Day off):

- **Former EPA head still ha**  
EPA work to dismantle the  
Swidey writes in a Boston  
blunt, no-nonsense style. E  
these days, feeling unencu  
four decades, and dumbfo  
loose even more. She now  
your-lumps therapist.”
- **“I expect great science f**  
Island that began on May  
studying oozing fissures, e  
Wilson and Sarah Kaplan  
science, though it certainly  
tracks through the ground  
be used to better plan and

## DAYBOOK

### Coming Up

- Congress is in recess for a
- The US Energy Association
- EIA holds its annual 2018

- The Atlantic Council holds

## EXTRA MILEAGE

— As Kilauea on Hawaii's Big Is  
volcanic fissures can be seen from





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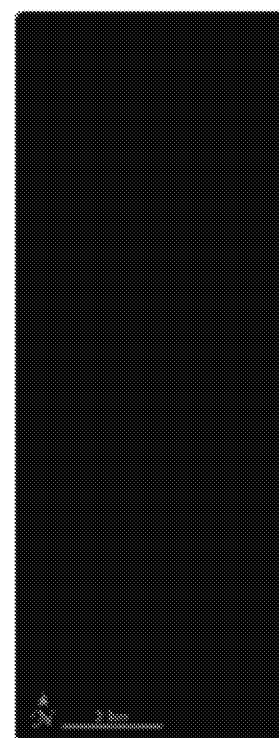
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Hawaii's Big Isla

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